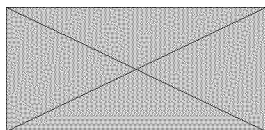


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EPA Watchdog Launches Review Of Massive Colo. Mine Spill

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's internal watchdog said Monday that it will kick off a preliminary investigation into the agency's response to the more than 3 million-gallon spill of toxic wastewater from the abandoned Gold King Mine in Colorado.

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Enviros Latest To Challenge EPA's Jurisdiction Under CWA

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The Natural Resources Defense Council is leading a group of environmentalists in a legal challenge to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's recent rule setting out the scope of its purview under the Clean Water Act, arguing that the rule fails to protect essential bodies of water from pollution.

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5th Circ. Revives Homeowners' Devon Energy Nuisance Suit

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The Fifth Circuit on Friday revived a group of Texas homeowners' lawsuit alleging that a Devon Energy Corp. unit's oil and gas drilling site in their residential neighborhood is noisy and disruptive and interferes with their use and enjoyment of their properties.

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Murray, States Push To Delay DC Circ. Clean Power Ruling

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Murray Energy Corp. and several states on Friday asked the D.C. Circuit not to enforce its ruling allowing the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's new plan to curb carbon emissions from existing power plants quite yet.

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Atty Sanctioned But Not Removed For Menopause Comment

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An attorney who asked a female colleague if she was going through menopause during a deposition won't be barred from representing plaintiffs in a case involving a 2009 Puerto

Rico refinery explosion but faces lesser sanctions for his conduct, a federal judge ruled Monday. LAW FIRMS

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Feds Give Shell Final OK To Drill For Arctic Oil Baker &
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U.S. offshore drilling regulators on Monday gave the final go-ahead to Royal Dutch Shell PLC to drill in Arctic waters after a piece of required emergency equipment made its way back to the Chukchi Sea aboard an icebreaking ship that had to undergo repairs. Baker
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Pa. Water Authority Agrees To Stem Sewage Overflow BakerHc

A Delaware County water authority has agreed to reduce overflow from its sewer system to improve the water quality in the Delaware River as part of a settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Justice, the two agencies said on Monday. Barnes
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NJ Regulator, Oil Cos. Strike \$1M Deal Over Mahwah Site Comeau
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New Jersey's environmental regulator has reached a proposed \$1 million settlement with two oil companies over pollution at a truck stop in Mahwah with a long history of compliance woes, according to a notice Monday. Covington
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US Files 2nd Suit Over Wind Project On Okla. Tribal Land Cozen
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The federal government on Monday lodged a suit against a group of wind developers in Oklahoma federal court, the second such suit to accuse Enel SpA units of infringing upon the native Osage Nation's mineral excavation rights. DLA
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Wyo. Tells 10th Circ. EPA Erred In Reservation Border Ruling Dowd &
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Wyoming has urged the Tenth Circuit to reject the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's decision to "remake" the boundaries of the Northern Arapaho and Eastern Shoshone tribes' reservation for the purposes of the Clean Air Act, arguing that Congress reduced the borders more than a century ago. Gibson
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Wash. State Claims Victory In Hanford Cleanup Row Holland
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A Washington state federal judge will allow the U.S. Department of Energy, Washington and Oregon to amend a plan to clean up the Hanford nuclear site, a move Washington's attorney general hailed as a victory that may lead to more enforceable deadlines and greater accountability. Irell &
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NM Fracking Permits OK'd Despite Enviro Suit

A federal judge on Friday rejected a bid by environmentalists and a Navajo tribal group to prevent the U.S. Department of the Interior from issuing drilling permits in the Mancos Shale, saying they likely won't succeed in their suit alleging drilling is destroying a culturally sensitive region of New Mexico.

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Plains Faces Securities Suit Over Calif. Pipeline Spill

Plains All American Pipeline LP misled investors about compliance with oil spill prevention standards, according to a securities suit filed in California federal court on Friday, a week after the company announced that state and federal authorities were investigating the rupture of one of its pipelines earlier this year.

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ATP Oil Execs Again Slip Suit Over \$1.5B Note Exchange

A Louisiana federal judge on Friday tossed for the second time a putative class action alleging bankrupt ATP Oil & Gas Corp.'s top executives misled investors about its liquidity and business prospects before a \$1.5 billion note exchange following drilling moratoriums enacted after the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

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Scotts' Toxic Bird Seed Docs Are Fair Game, Plaintiffs Say

Bird seed buyers suing Scotts Miracle-Gro Co. over feed tainted with toxic pesticides told a California federal judge Friday that what's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander, accusing the company of concealing studies it previously used to bolster its case.

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10th Circ. Pushes Back On Preemption In Plutonium Case

The Tenth Circuit's ruling in Cook v. Rockwell International Corp. constitutes a marked departure from all other federal circuits that have addressed the issue of whether the Price-Anderson Act expressly preempts a plaintiff's related state law nuisance claims. If adopted elsewhere, the case would represent a significant expansion of potential liability for operators in the nuclear energy industry, say attorneys at Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP.

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Trial Aces: Irell & Manella's Morgan Chu

Irell & Manella LLP partner Morgan Chu has racked up 32 trial wins in patent cases, resulting in actual payments to his clients totaling more than \$5 billion, a run of courtroom success that began when he was tapped to represent Mattel Inc. as a young attorney, despite an almost total lack of courtroom experience or knowledge about patent law.

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How Law Firms Are Letting Their Top Talent Slip Away

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If you want to keep an attorney from jumping to another law firm, your firm needs to worry

less about compensation and instead make sure there are ample opportunities for advancement, according to a recent survey by Law360.

Nonequity Partners The Most Miserable Attys In Your Firm

Hear any grumbling in your firm? More than likely it's coming from nonequity partners, a crowd voicing more job dissatisfaction in a recent Law360 survey than any other group of lawyer.

Bigger Is Better When It Comes To Making Lawyers Happy

Though many BigLaw attorneys may dream of life in the allegedly greener pastures of small-firm living, a Law360 survey of attorneys has found that when it comes to attorney satisfaction, bigger is indeed better.

Why LA Attorneys Are Smiling

Lawyers in Los Angeles are happier at work than their East Coast counterparts, according to a survey conducted by Law360, and experts point to lighter billable hours requirements and greater opportunities for associates to work with clients early on as reasons for the marked difference in job satisfaction.

Employment Attorneys The Happiest Lawyers Around

They work just as hard as their colleagues but are among the lowest paid attorneys, so what makes employment lawyers the happiest lawyers in the country, according to a Law360 survey? Their work is meaningful, experts say.

How To Become The Firm GCs Recommend

The top way general counsels find their law firms is through word-of-mouth recommendation. Here's how you and your firm can build a sterling reputation and new business as the toast of GCs, which is the best marketing strategy out there.

Dewey Defense Grills Cooperator Over Shifting Claims

A cooperating witness in the Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP fraud trial endured a grueling cross-examination in New York state court Monday as a defense lawyer drilled down on her shifting statements to prosecutors about an alleged scheme to cook the firm's books.

Rules Body Looks To Ax 'Ancient Doc' Hearsay Exemption

A committee that oversees the administration of the nation's courts has floated changes to the federal rules for bankruptcy procedure and evidence that would eliminate a hearsay exception for documents that are more than 20 years old and clear up confusion over a rule allowing debtors to pay their filing fee in installments.

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